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PATENT

Preliminary Classification:

Proposed Class: 052

Subclass: 295000

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Mail Stop Patent Application  
 Commissioner for Patents  
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## NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): William F. Leek

For (title): AUTOMATIC TAKE-UP DEVICE WITH INTERNAL SPRING

## 1. Type of Application

This application is for a continuation.

## 2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application (35 U.S.C. §§ 119(e), 120, or 121)

The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application. Enclosed are  
 ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S.  
 APPLICATION CLAIMED.

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**3. Papers Enclosed**

- A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application

13 Page(s) of Specification  
5 Page(s) of Claims  
13 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)—Informal

- B. Other Papers Enclosed

2 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney  
1 Page(s) of abstract

**4. Additional Papers Enclosed**

Amendment to claims

Cancel in this applications claims 2-20 before calculating the filing fee.

Add the claims shown on the attached amendment. (Claims added have been numbered consecutively following the highest numbered original claims.)

Preliminary Amendment

**5. Declaration or Oath**

Enclosed

Executed by:

\* inventor.

**6. Inventorship Statement**

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

**7. Language**

English

**8. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)**

Regular Application

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CLAIMS AS FILED

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	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a) 750.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	20	-	20	=	0	x \$	18.00 = \$ 00.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	2	-	3	=	0	x \$	84.00 = \$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))						+ \$	280.00 = \$ 0.00

Amendment cancelling extra claims is enclosed.

Filing Fee Calculation

\$750.00

**9. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time**

Enclosed

Filing Fee  
\$750.00

**Total Fees Enclosed**

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37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)

37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b), (c) or (d) (presentation of extra claims)

37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)

37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to § 1.136(a))

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37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (application processing fees)

**12. Instructions as to Overpayment**

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(37 C.F.R. § 1.78)**

**13. Relate Back**

Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line following the title, the following sentence:

**A. 35 U.S.C. Sections 120, 121 and 365(c)**

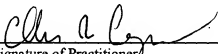
"This application is a continuation of copending application

Application number 09/729,491 filed on December 3, 2000."

**14. Further Inventorship Statement Where Benefit of Prior Application(s) Claimed**

- (a) This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above and the inventor in this application is the same.

Date: July 23, 2003

  
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New Application Transmittal (5pgs)

Copy of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (2pgs)

Specification (13pgs)

Claims (5pgs)

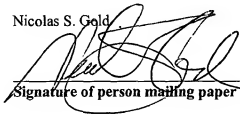
Abstract (1pg)

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